03-26-03

HF/3763

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Michael S.H. Chu et al.

Serial No.:

09/430,050

Examiner: A. Lam

Filed:

October 29, 1999

Group Art Unit: 3763

For:

SPLIT VALVE FOR PEEL-AWAY SHEATH

Docket No.:

1001.1258101

## TRANSMITTAL SHEET

Box AF

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.10: The undersigned hereby certified that this paper or papers, as described herein are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" having an Express Mail mailing label number of: EV 290.182698 US, in an envelope addressed to: Box AF, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C., 20231

on this 25th day of March 2003.

We are transmitting herewith the attached:

[XX]

Response After Final

[ XX ] No additional fee required

The fee has been calculated as shown:

	l life fee ii	as been calcul	atoa us siio	**************************************			
CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
	(3)	(4)	(5)	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER	
	REMAINING CLAIMS	HIGHEST PAID	EXTRA	RATE	ADD'L FEE	RATE	ADD'L FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	-	=		X9=	\$	X18=	\$
INDEPEN- DENT CLAIMS	-	=		X40=	\$	X80=	\$
( ) FIRST MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				+135=	\$	+270=	\$
TOTAL				\$		\$	

[]	A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed. Itemization:  Fee Code \$  Fee Code \$
[]	Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established.
[]	Other:
[XXXX]	Please charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment in the enclosed fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0413.  By:

David M. Crompton CROMPTON, SEAGER & TUFTE, LLC 1221 Nicollet Avenue, Suite 800 Minneapolis, Minnesota 55403-2420 Telephone: (612) 677-9050

Facsimile:

(612) 359-9349

28075

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE



## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Michael S.H. Chu et al.

Serial No.:

09/430,050

Examiner: A. Lam

Filing Date:

October 29, 1999

Group Art Unit: 3763

For:

SPLIT VALVE FOR PEEL-AWAY SHEATH

Docket No.:

1001.1258101

Box AF

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

Washington, D.C. 20231

## **RESPONSE AFTER FINAL**

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.10: The undersigned hereby certified that this paper or papers, as described herein are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" having an Express Mail mailing label number of: EV 290182698 US, in an envelope addressed to: Box AF, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C., 20231

on this 25th day of March 2003.

Kathleen L. Boekley

Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Final Office Action mailed January 28, 3002, with a shortened statutory period set to expire on April 28, 2003. This paper is filed within the set period for response such that no extension of time is necessary.

Please consider the following remarks: